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CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

(PRC Section 21152; CEQA Guidelines Section 15062)

Pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21152(b) and CEQA Guidelines § 15062, the notice should be posted with the County Clerk by mailing the form and posting fee payment to the following address: Los Angeles County Clerk/Recorder, Environmental Notices, P.O. Box 1208, Norwalk, CA 90650. Pursuant to Public Resources Code § 21167 (d), the posting of this notice starts a 35-day statute of limitations on court challenges to reliance on an exemption for the project. Failure to file this notice as provided above, results in the statute of limitations being extended to 180 days.

PARENT CASE NUMBER(S) / REQUESTED ENTITLEMENTS

CPC-2024-2616-CA

LEAD CITY AGENCY

City of Los Angeles (Department of City Planning)

CASE NUMBER

ENV-2024-2617-CE

PROJECT TITLE

Redevelopment Plan Procedures Chapter 1A Transition Ordinance

COUNCIL DISTRICT

All

PROJECT LOCATION (Street Address and Cross Streets and/or Attached Map)

Citywide

Map attached.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

A proposed ordinance relocating Section 11.5.14 of Chapter 1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) to a newly established Division 13B.12. to instate the Redevelopment Plan procedures in Chapter 1A of the LAMC, amendments to Sections 13A.2.2. 13A.2.4. and 13A.2.10. of Article 13 of Chapter 1A of the LAMC, and amendments to Sections 15.2.2. of Chapter 15 of Chapter 1A of the LAMC.

Additional page(s) attached.

NAME OF APPLICANT / OWNER:

City of Los Angeles (Department of City Planning)

CONTACT PERSON (If different from Applicant/Owner above)

Tyler Currie

(AREA CODE) TELEPHONE NUMBER

(213) 978-1431

EXT.

EXEMPT STATUS: (Check all boxes, and include all exemptions, that apply and provide relevant citations.)

STATE CEQA STATUTE & GUIDELINES

STATUTORY EXEMPTION(S)

Public Resources Code Section(s) _____

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION(S) (State CEQA Guidelines Sec. 15301-15333 / Class 1-Class 33)

CEQA Guideline Section(s) / Class(es) _____

OTHER BASIS FOR EXEMPTION (E.g., CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) or (b)(4) or Section 15378(b))

State CEQA Guidelines Sec. 15061(b)(3) and/or Sec. 15378(b)(5)

JUSTIFICATION FOR PROJECT EXEMPTION:

Additional page(s) attached

See attached.

None of the exceptions in CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 to the categorical exemption(s) apply to the Project.

The project is identified in one or more of the list of activities in the City of Los Angeles CEQA Guidelines as cited in the justification.

IF FILED BY APPLICANT, ATTACH CERTIFIED DOCUMENT ISSUED BY THE CITY PLANNING DEPARTMENT STATING THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAS FOUND THE PROJECT TO BE EXEMPT.

If different from the applicant, the identity of the person undertaking the project.

CITY STAFF USE ONLY:

CITY STAFF NAME AND SIGNATURE

Tyler Currie



STAFF TITLE

Planning Assistant

ENTITLEMENTS APPROVED

Code Amendment

DISTRIBUTION: County Clerk, Agency Record

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JUSTIFICATION FOR CEQA EXEMPTION

The Department of City Planning has determined, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the proposed Redevelopment Plan Procedures Chapter 1A Transition Ordinance is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15061(b)(3) and Section 15378(b)(5), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 applies. The proposed Ordinance solely modifies administrative procedures for the processing of entitlement requests and has no effect on the physical environment.

Pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3), the proposed Ordinance is not a project under CEQA, because “the activity is covered by the common sense exception that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA.”

The proposed Ordinance is also not a project under CEQA pursuant to Section 15378(b)(5) because “organizational or administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment” are not considered a project. The proposed Ordinance does not change any discretionary actions into non-discretionary actions. Furthermore, the proposed Ordinance does not change the zoning of any properties. The proposed changes are limited to policy changes that resolve conflicts within the Redevelopment Plans, Community Plans, the Code, and other City ordinances as well as include technical corrections and clarification of administrative procedures for processing Redevelopment Project Area approval requests and appeals. Therefore, the proposed Ordinance does not have the potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment and is not considered a project under CEQA.